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March 3, 2006

### VIA HAND DELIVERY

Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire Chief Clerk and Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina Post Office Box 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Allowable Ex Parte Communication Briefing on February 28, 2006

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Pursuant to the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-3-260 (Supp. 2005) and as Mr. Scott's designee, I am attaching my certified statement with copies of the certified statements from all persons present (see sign-in sheet also attached) at the February 28, 2006 Allowable Ex Parte Communication Briefing of Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc., and Southland Utilities, Inc. ("the Companies").

Please find enclosed a copy of the verbatim transcript of the briefing. It is my understanding that the transcript of the briefing will be posted on your website, and this transcript is incorporated by reference in all of the certified statements. The transcripts are intended to satisfy the summary requirement of § 58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(ii).

The written materials utilized, referenced or distributed at the briefing by any of the attendees or Commissioners are also attached and consist of the following items:

- 1. Copy of the Utilities, Inc. and affiliates customer service guide
- 2. Copy of page 467, Volume 6, Hearing Transcript, Docket No. 2004-357-WS
- 3. Copy of S.C. Act 175
- 4. Copy of the Complaint and Stipulation of Dismissal, Docket No. 2005-391-WS
- 5. Copy of the PowerPoint presentation consisting of 25 slides
- 6. Copy of the summaries referenced at page 50, 1. 20 and page 55, 1. 14 of the briefing transcript (customer account numbers are redacted to protect the privacy of customers)
- 7. Copy of Order No. 2005-328 issued in Docket No. 2004-357-WS
- 8. Copy of article from the February 2, 2006 edition of the *Post and Courier* referenced at page 35, 11. 3-6 of the briefing transcript.

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As required by law, please post all of the documents relating to this briefing on your website.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

C. Lessie Hammonds

Attorney

Enclosures

Cc: John M.S. Hoefer, Esquire (w/out attachments)

# ALLOWABLE EX PARTE COMMUNICATION BRIEFING CERTIFIED STATEMENT

#### THIS CERTIFICATION IS TO:

- BE SIGNED BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, AND
- BE FILED WITH THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION WITHIN SEVENTY-TWO HOURS OF THIS BRIEFING.

Name:	Date:
Lessie Hammonds	03-03-06
ORS Position Title:	Matter:
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- 1. The briefing was conducted in compliance with the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §58-3-260(C)(6).
- 2. EACH PERSON present at the briefing complied with the reporting and certification requirements of (ii), (iii), and (iv) within 48 hours after the briefing.
  - a. The subsection (ii) and (iii) requirements are that EACH ATTENDEE INCLUDING EACH COMMISSIONER AND EACH COMMISSION EMPLOYEE is to file a certification with me:
    - i. That accurately summarizes the discussions occurring during the briefing. [S.C. Code Ann. §58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(ii)]
    - ii. With copies attached of any written materials utilized, referenced or distributed during the briefing. [S.C. Code Ann. §58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(ii)]
    - iii. That no commitment, predetermination, or prediction of any Commissioner's action as to any ultimate or penultimate issue or any Commission employee's opinion or recommendation as to any ultimate or penultimate issue in any proceeding was requested by any person or party nor any commitment, predetermination or prediction was given by any Commissioner or Commission employee as to any Commission action or Commission employee opinion or recommendation on any ultimate or penultimate issue. [S.C. Code Ann. §58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(iii)]
  - b. The subsection (iv) requirement is that EACH COMMISSIONER AND EACH COMMISSION EMPLOYEE present at the briefing file a certification that they will comply with State law requiring them to grant to every other party or person requesting an allowable ex parte communication briefing on the same or similar matter that is or can reasonably be expected to become an issue in a proceeding, similar access and a reasonable opportunity to communicate, directly or indirectly, regarding any fact, law, or other matter that is or can

reasonably be expected to become an issue in a proceeding under the provisions of subsection S.C. Code Ann.  $\S58-3-260(C)(6)$ . [S.C. Code Ann.  $\S58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(iv)$ ]

- 3. Copies of all certified statements and all other matters filed with me by briefing attendees pursuant to(C)(6)(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) are attached to this certification.
- 4. Persons and matters not in compliance with S.C. Code Ann. §58-3-260(C)(6) are listed in the lines below or on an attached sheet. If a sheet is attached, it is noted as being attached on the lines below. I further certify that if the lines are blank that all attendees or matters for this briefing are in compliance.

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Signature of Office of Regulatory Staff

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Occupation:	Matter: Utilities Inc Exporte Builey
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Name: Jay R. Jashinsky	Date: 62/28/06
Occupation: Audit Director	Matter:  Utilities, Inc.
Attending on behalf of/for:  Office of Regulatory Staff	Docket No.:

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Occupation:	Matter:	
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Attending on behalf of/for:	Docket No.:	
American Water Services		

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Daniel F. Sullivan	2/28/06"
Occupation:	Matter:
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Attending on behalf of/for:	Docket No.:
ORS	N/A

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Carolina Services (utilities Inc.)
Docket No.:
None

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Name: Lessie Hammonds	Date: 02 (28)06
Occupation: Attorney	Matter: Utilities Inc.
Attending on behalf of/for:	Docket No.:
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Nanette Edwards	02-28-06
Occupation:	Matter:
Attorney	Utilities Inc.
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Mignon Clyburn	February 28,2006
PSC Position Title:	Matter:
Commissioner	Docket No .:

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Name:	Date of Meeting:
JOHN E. HOWARD	2/28/06
PSC Position Title:	Matter:
Commissioner	C. W. S. Ex Park. Breeden

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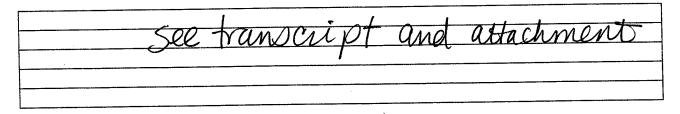
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#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable C. Dukes Scott Executive Director Office of Regulatory Staff 1441 Main Street, Suite 300 Columbia, South Carolina 29201

RE: Allowable ex parte presentation by Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. and Southland Utilities, Inc.; February 28, 2006

#### Dear Mr. Scott:

In accordance with S.C. Code Ann. § 58-3-260(C)(6) (Supp. 2005), enclosed you will find the certifications of the following attendees at the above-referenced presentation made to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina:

- 1. Mr. James Camaren
- 2. Mr. Carl Daniel
- 3. Mr. Bruce Haas
- 4. Mr. Steve Lubertozzi
- 5. Ms. Patty Owens
- 6. John M.S. Hoefer, Esquire
- 7. Mitchell Willoughby, Esquire
- 8. Ms. Kristina Kusa



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The actual discussions during the presentation, as contained in the copy of the transcript prepared by Kimberly T. Power, CCR, are provided in lieu of the summary contemplated under § 58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(ii).

The written materials utilized, referenced or distributed at the presentation by any of the above-referenced attendees consist of the following items:

- 1. Copy of the Utilities, Inc. and affiliates customer service guide
- 2. Copy of page 467, Volume 6, Hearing Transcript, Docket No. 2004-357-W/S
- 3. Copy of S.C. Act 175
- 4. Copy of the Complaint and Stipulation of dismissal in Docket 2005-391-W/S
- 5. Copy of PowerPoint presentation consisting of 25 slides
- 6. Copy of the summaries referenced at page 50, 1. 20 and page 55, 1. 14 of the transcript\*
- 7. Copy of the Order issued in Docket No. 2005-328 in Docket No. 2004-357-W/S.

The only other written materials utilized, referenced or distributed at the presentation by any other attendee was the matter found at page 35, ll. 3-6 of the transcript attached to the certifications. As I read the November 3, 2005, opinion letter to Chief Clerk / Administrator Terreni from the Chief Counsel for the State Regulation of Public Utilities Review Committee, it intended to provide guidance as to whether documents referenced at a presentation "must be attached to the certified statement of the person referencing the materials." Given that none of the above-listed attendees made any reference to the matter appearing at p. 35, ll. 3-6, the reference did not identify a publication, publication date, title, or author, and the attendees have no means by which they may ascertain that information, the above-listed attendees cannot certify based that any article that might be attached is in fact that the written material referenced. However, the attendees have authorized me to state on their behalf, and upon information and belief, that the article from the February 2, 2006 edition of the *Post and Courier* attached hereto *may* constitute the matter referenced at p. 35, ll. 3-6 as it is the most recent article appearing in a Charleston newspaper prior to the presentation date dealing with the subject matter of this reference that could be found after an internet search.

I would appreciate very much your acknowledging timely receipt of the foregoing certifications and attachments by stamping the copy of this letter enclosed and returning it to me via our courier.

<sup>\*</sup>Customer account numbers have been redacted to protect the privacy of customers

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

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JMSH/twb Enclosures

cc: Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni (Without enclosures)

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Name: Patty Owens	Date of Meeting: February 28, 2006
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Name: Mitchell Willoughby	Date of Meeting: February 28, 2006
Occupation: Attorney at Law	Matter: Allowable Ex Parte Presentation of Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of S.C., Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. and Southland Utilities, Inc.
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Name: Kristina Kusa	Date of Meeting:2/28/06
Occupation: Paralegal	Matter: Allowable Ex Parte Presentation of Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of S.C., Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. and Southland Utilities, Inc.
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Name: Bruce T. Haas	Date of Meeting: February 28, 2006
Occupation: Regional Director of Operations for Utilities, Inc. operating subsidiaries in South Carolina	Matter: Allowable Ex Parte Presentation of Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of S.C., Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. and Southland Utilities, Inc.
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Occupation: Attorney at Law	Matter: Allowable Ex Parte Presentation of Carolina Water Service, Inc., United Utility Companies, Inc., Utilities Services of S.C., Inc., Tega Cay Water Service, Inc. and Southland Utilities, Inc.
Attending on behalf of/for: Utilities, Inc.	Docket No.: N/A

- 1. No commitment, predetermination, or prediction of any Commissioner's action as to any ultimate or penultimate issue or any Commission employee's opinion or recommendation as to any ultimate or penultimate issue in any proceeding was requested by any person or party nor any commitment, predetermination, or prediction was given by any Commissioner or Commission employee as to any Commission action or Commission employee opinion or recommendation on any ultimate or penultimate issue. [§58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(iii)]
- 2. I have accurately summarized the discussions occurring during the briefing in full either in the space below or on an attached sheet. If a sheet is attached, it is noted as being attached on the lines below. [§58-3-260(C)(6)(a)(ii)]

See attached transcript.	

This concludes my Certified Statement.

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